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In re Continuation Reissue Application of)
U.S. Patent No. 5,462,120)
Michel Gondouin) Group Art Unit: 3672
Application No.: 09/871,813) Examiner: H. Dang
Filed: June 4, 2001)
For: DOWNHOLE EQUIPMENT, TOOLS)
AND ASSEMBLY PROCEDURES)
FOR THE DRILLING, TIE-IN AND)
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Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of August 30, 2002. The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

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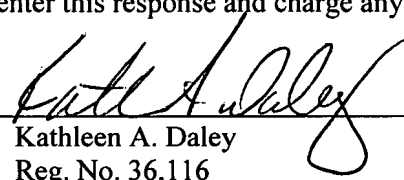
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The Examiner further required Applicant to submit a statement that the original patent was surrendered in parent application no. 08/861,457. Applicant submits the attached Reissue Patent Application Statement As To Loss Of Original Patent. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully asserts that this requirement has been fulfilled in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.178.

The Examiner also objected to the application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.172(a) as lacking the written consent of all assignees owning an undivided interest in the patent. Applicant files herewith an Assent of Assignee in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.172(a), consenting to the reissue of U.S. Patent No. 5,462,120. The authority of the assignee to consent to this reissue of U.S. Patent No. 5,462,120 is set forth in the following statement under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b).

The above-identified reissue application is a continuation of reissue application no. 08/861,457 for U.S. Patent No. 5,462,120 (the '120 patent). A title report was filed in the parent reissue application no. 08/861, 457, establishing that Halliburton Energy Services, Inc. is the assignee of U.S. Patent No. 5,462,120, and reissue application 08/861,457. The title report shows that the '120 patent was assigned by the inventor Michel Gondouin to S-Cal Research Corporation on December 12, 1991, recorded at Reel 6081, Frame 0249. The title report further shows that the '120 patent was assigned by S-Cal Research Corporation to Halliburton Company on November 21, 1996, recorded at Reel 8251, Frame 0146. The title report also shows that the '120 patent was assigned by Halliburton Company to Halliburton Energy Services, Inc. on December 12, 1996, recorded at Reel 8535, Frame 0562. Thus, the undersigned, who is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee Halliburton Energy Services, represents that the chain of title from the inventor, Michel Gondouin, to Halliburton Energy Services, Inc., has been established in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b).

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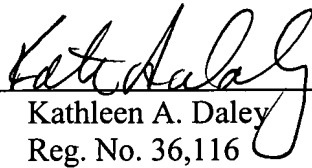
Applicant further submits the Supplemental Declaration of Michel Gondouin attesting that all errors corrected in this reissue application were made without deceptive intent.

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Respectfully submitted,

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